

COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 30, 2003 (PC Mtg. 10/8/03)

TO: York County Planning Commission

FROM: J. Mark Carter, Assistant County Administrator

SUBJECT: Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment – Section 24.1-372, Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Requirements

As discussed at your last meeting, the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board has adopted changes to the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Regulations and has established a December 31st deadline for localities to bring their ordinances into conformity with the changes. Staff from the Department of Environmental and Development Services has been working to prepare draft revisions for several months, while at the same time waiting for additional guidance from the Local Assistance Board. At its meeting on September 15th, the Local Assistance Board approved final guidance on several critical issues and, as a result, staff is now working to incorporate final revisions in the draft material. However, the proposed language will not be available by the time of your October 8th meeting (due primarily to Hurricane Isabel).

In order to be as responsive as possible to the December 31, 2003 deadline for adoption, I recommend that the Planning Commission officially sponsor the text amendment application and schedule it for public hearing at your November 12, 2003 meeting. The draft language will be completed and distributed to you no later than October 28th so that it can be discussed at your October 29th work session. Adoption of proposed Resolution No PC03-30 will sponsor the text amendment.

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Attachment: Proposed Resolution No. PC03-30